

Let's not let the highly paid lobbyist for public radio decide what the American public should listen to. XM Radio offers consumers an alternative to the constant barrage of advertising that public radio is inundated with. I as a consumer benefit from listening to XM Satellite Radio and its traffic and weather channels as well as the many other options it has to offer. It provides variety and quality that are not available elsewhere. As with many other issues before you, I believe that this is a decision best left to the consumer as we pay for these services. The National Association of Broadcasters should not be permitted to dictate what I choose to pay for or listen too. Many rights have been lost or extra controls added simply because of the big money that organizations like this have to pursue action against the smaller businesses that cannot fight them. Competition and freedom of choice are foundations of this country and by allowing lobbyists to influence our ELECTED legislators is simply wrong. I respectfully urge the FCC to reject the NAB's petition 04-160 and to support XM's ability to provide the kind of programming that I demand and deserve.